Chapter 3 - CSS

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These slides intended for use with the text book, "Building your Own Web Site the Right Way Using HTML & CSS" by Ian Lloyd, and Available from Sitepoint books.

The big picture...



In the modern era of web design we represent content and meaning in HTML an formatting and layout in CSS.

<!DOCTYPE html PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD XHTML I.0 Strict//EN" "http://www.w3.org/TR/xhtmlI/DTD/xhtmlI-strict.dtd">
<html xmlns="http://www.w3.org/1999/xhtml" xml:lang="en">
<head>
<title>University of Michigan</title>
....

@import "/CSS/graphical.css"/**/;
p.text strong, .verbose, .verbose p, .verbose h2{textindent:-876em;position:absolute}
p.text strong a{text-decoration:none}
p.text em{font-weight:bold;font-style:normal}
div.alert{background:#eee;border:1 px solid red;padding:.
5em;margin:0 25%}
a img{border:none}
.hot br, .quick br, dl.feature2 img{display:none}
div#main label, legend{font-weight:bold}

Separation of concerns / specialization

Developer

<!DOCTYPE html PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD XHTML I.0 Strict//EN" "http://www.w3.org/TR/xhtmlI/DTD/xhtmlIstrict.dtd"> <html xmlns="http://www.w3.org/1999/xhtml" xml:lang="en"> <head>

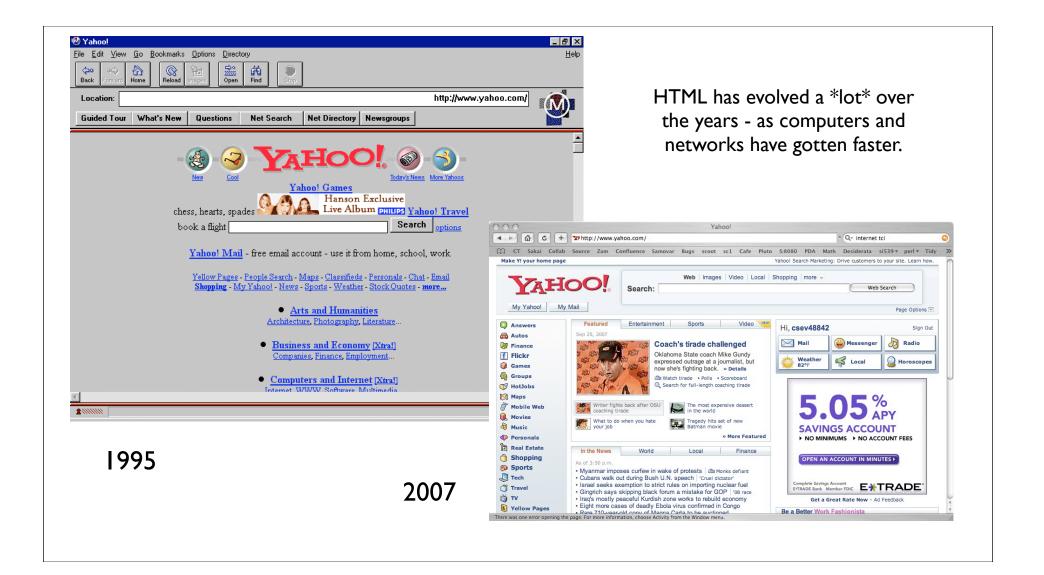
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Designer

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indent:-876em;position:absolute}
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p.text em{font-weight:bold;font-style:normal}
div.alert{background:#eee;border:1px solid
...
```

Everyone needs to know some HTML and some CSS and some programming - but to be truly skilled at a professional level requires deep understanding and specialization.



History of HTML / CSS

- HTML I.0 1993 The Good Old Days life was simple
- HTML 2.0 1995 Some interesting layout features abused
- CSS I 1996
- HTML 3.2 1997
- HTML 4.0 1997 Layout moving toward CSS
- CSS Level 2 1998
- HTML 4.01 1999 What we use today

HTML has evolved a *lot* over the years - as computers and networks have gotten faster.

Designing for the Real World....

2007	IE7	IE6	IE5	Fx	Moz	S	0
December	21.0%	33.2%	1.7%	36.3%	1.4%	1.7%	1.4%
November	20.8%	33.6%	1.6%	36.3%	1.2%	1.8%	1.6%
October	20.7%	34.5%	1.5%	36.0%	1.3%	1.7%	1.6%
September	20.8%	34.9%	1.5%	35.4%	1.2%	1.6%	1.5%
August	20.5%	35.7%	1.5%	34.9%	1.3%	1.5%	1.7%
July	20.1%	36.9%	1.5%	34.5%	1.4%	1.5%	1.9%
June	19.7%	37.3%	1.5%	34.0%	1.4%	1.5%	1.8%
May	19.2%	38.1%	1.6%	33.7%	1.3%	1.5%	1.7%
April	19.1%	38.4%	1.7%	32.9%	1.3%	1.5%	1.6%
March	18.0%	38.7%	2.0%	31.8%	1.3%	1.6%	1.6%
February	16.4%	39.8%	2.5%	31.2%	1.4%	1.7%	1.5%
January	13.3%	42.3%	3.0%	31.0%	1.5%	1.7%	1.5%

2002	IE6	IE5	AOL	N3	N5	N4	IE4
November	53.5%	29.9%	5.2%	1.1%	4.9%	2.0%	
September	49.1%	34.4%	4.5%	1.3%	4.5%	2.2%	
July	44.4%	40.1%	3.5%	1.2%	3.5%	2.6%	0.5%
May	40.7%	46.0%	2.8%	1.2%	2.7%	3.4%	0.7%
March	36.7%	49.4%	3.0%	1.2%	2.4%	4.1%	0.7%
January	30.1%	55.7%	2.8%	1.3%	2.2%	4.4%	1.0%

2007	JavaScript On	JavaScript Off
January	94%	6%
2006		
July	92%	8%
January	90%	10%
2005		
July	90%	10%
January	89%	11%
2004		
July	90%	10%
January	92%	8%
2003		
July	89%	11%
January	89%	11%
2002		
October	88%	12%

www.w3schools.com/browsers/browsers_stats.asp

Inline Styles

```
A sentance.

The quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog.
Another sentance.
```

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Another sentance.

Span when there is no block

Bubble
Under is a group of diving enthusiasts based in the south-west UK who meet up for diving trips in the summer months when the weather is good and the bacon rolls are flowing. We arrange weekends away as small groups to cut the costs of accommodation and travel and to ensure that everyone gets a trustworthy dive buddy.

Bubble Under is a group of diving enthusiasts based in the south-west UK who meet up for diving trips in the summer months when the weather is good and the bacon rolls are flowing. We arrange weekends away as small groups to cut the costs of accommodation and travel and to ensure that everyone gets a trustworthy dive buddy.

Embedded Style

```
<head>
    <title>Bubble Under - The diving club for the south-west UK</title>
    <meta http-equiv="Content-Type" content="text/html; charset=utf-8" />
    <style type="text/css">
    p {
        font-weight: bold;
     }
     </style>
     </head>
     </head>
     </head>
     </head>
     </head>
     </head>
     </head>
     </head>
     </head>
     </hr>
     A Paragraph
     Another
```

Anatomy of a CSS Rule

```
p {
    font-weight: bold;
    color: blue;
}

Property Value
```

```
<head>
    <title>Bubble Under - The diving club for the
south-west UK</title>
    <meta http-equiv="Content-Type"
content="text/html; charset=utf-8" />
    link href="ext.css" rel="stylesheet" type="text/css" />
    </head>
    <body>
    <h1>A Header</h1>
    A Paragraph
    Another
    </body>
```

External Style Sheets

A Header

A Paragraph

Another

```
/*
CSS for Bubble Under site
*/
p {
  font-weight: bold;
  color: blue;
}
```

```
<!DOCTYPE html PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD XHTML 1.0 Strict//EN"</p>
"http://www.w3.org/TR/xhtml1/DTD/xhtml1-strict.dtd">
<html xmlns="http://www.w3.org/1999/xhtml">
<head>
<title>Bubble Under - The diving club for the south-west UK</title>
<meta http-equiv="Content-Type" content="text/html; charset=utf-8" />
<link href="style1.css" rel="stylesheet" type="text/css" />
</head>
<body>
<div id="header">
<div id="sitebranding">
<h1>BubbleUnder.com</h1>
                                 CSS for Bubble Under site
</div>
```

body {

font-family: Verdana;

We have styled the site *after* the HTML was produed.



BubbleUnder.com

Diving club for the south-west UK - let's make a splash!

- About Us

Welcome to our super-dooper Scuba



Glad you could drop in and share some air with us! You've passed your underwater navigation skills and successfully found your way to the start point - or in this case, our home page.

```
body {
font-family: Verdana, Helvetica, Arial, sans-serif;
background-color:#e2edff;
line-height: 125%;
padding: 15px;
hl {
font-family: "Trebuchet MS", Helvetica, Arial, sans-serif;
font-size: x-large;
li {
font-size: small;
h2 {
color: blue;
font-size: medium;
font-weight: normal;
p {
font-size: small:
color: navy;
```

Now we are stylin'

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- Home
- · About Us
- Contact Us

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Body Styling

```
body {
font-family: Verdana, Helvetica, Arial, sans-serif;
background-color: #e2edff;
line-height: 125%;
padding: 15px;
}
```

This applies to everything in the document between <body> and </body> - it is inherited by paragraphs within body

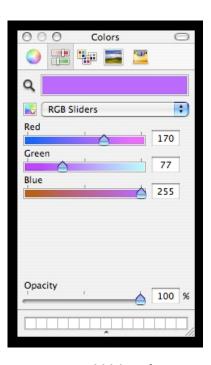
Colors...

Three Numbers, Red, Green, and Blue - each from 00 - FF (Hexidecimal)

#ffffff = white
#000000 = black
#ff0000 = red
#00ff00 = green
#0000ff = blue

#e2edff

Color Name	Color HEX	Color	
<u>AliceBlue</u>	#F0F8FF		
<u>AntiqueWhite</u>	#FAEBD7		
<u>Aqua</u>	#00FFFF		
<u>Aquamarine</u>	#7FFFD4		
<u>Azure</u>	#F0FFFF		
<u>Beige</u>	#F5F5DC		
<u>Bisque</u>	#FFE4C4		
<u>Black</u>	#000000		
BlanchedAlmond	#FFEBCD		
Blue	#0000FF		
BlueViolet	#8A2BE2		
Brown	#A52A2A		



Web-safe colors

http://www.w3schools.com/css/css_colornames.asp

Web-Safe Colors

- In the old days some computers had only 256 colors simultaneously
- There were 216 agreed on websafe colors
- For now historical factoid

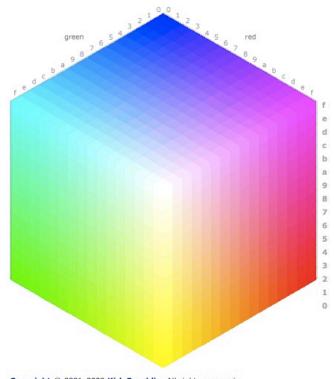
http://www.w3schools.com/html/html_colors.asp

000000	000033	000066	000099	0000CC	0000FF
003300	003333	003366	003399	0033CC	0033FF
006600	006633	006666	006699	0066CC	0066FF
009900	009933	009966	009999	0099CC	0099FF
00CC00	00CC33	00CC66	00CC99	00CCCC	00CCFF
00FF00	00FF33	00FF66	00FF99	00FFCC	00FFFF
330000	330033	330066	330099	3300CC	3300FF
333300	333333	333366	333399	3333CC	3333FF
336600	336633	336666	336699	3366CC	3366FF
339900	339933	339966	339999	3399CC	3399FF
33CC00	33CC33	33CC66	33CC99	33CCCC	33CCFF
33FF00	33FF33	33FF66	33FF99	33FFCC	33FFFF
660000	660033	660066	660099	6600CC	6600FF
663300	663333	663366	663399	6633CC	6633FF
666600	666633	666666	666699	6666CC	6666FF
669900	669933	669966	669999	6699CC	6699FF
66CC00	66CC33	66CC66	66CC99	66CCCC	66CCFF
66FF00	66FF33	66FF66	66FF99	66FFCC	66FFFF
990000	990033	990066	990099	9900CC	9900FF
993300	993333	993366	993399	9933CC	9933FF
996600	996633	996666	996699	9966CC	9966FF
999900	999933	999966	999999	9999CC	9999FF
99CC00	99CC33	99CC66	99CC99	99CCCC	99CCFF
99FF00	99FF33	99FF66	99FF99	99FFCC	99FFFF
CC0000	CC0033	CC0066	CC0099	CC00CC	CC00FF
CC3300	CC3333	CC3366	CC3399	CC33CC	CC33FF
CC6600	CC6633	CC6666	CC6699	CC66CC	CC66FF
CC9900	CC9933	CC9966	CC9999	CC99CC	CC99FF
CCCC00	CCCC33	CCCC66	CCCC99	CCCCCC	CCCCFF
CCFF00	CCFF33	CCFF66	CCFF99	CCFFCC	CCFFFF
FF0000	FF0033	FF0066	FF0099	FF00CC	FF00FF
FF3300	FF3333	FF3366	FF3399	FF33CC	FF33FF
FF6600	FF6633	FF6666	FF6699	FF66CC	FF66FF
FF9900	FF9933	FF9966	FF9999	FF99CC	FF99FF
FFCC00	FFCC33	FFCC66	FFCC99	FFCCCC	FFCCFF
FFFF00	FFFF33	FFFF66	FFFF99	FFFFCC	FFFFFF

Web-Smart Colors

- Web-smart colors are 4096 colors which should easily display accurately on all systems with > 256 colors
- Web smart colors simply use any combination of 00, 11, 22, ... cc, dd, ee, ff
- #0055ee

http://www.morecrayons.com/palettes/webSmart http://www.weborum.com/color/wheel.html



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Fonts

- Default fonts are ugly and they have Serifs - which make them harder to read on a screen
- So the first thing I usually want to do is override the font in my document
- And I want to do this everywhere.

Header One

Paragraph about ugly default fonts.

Figure 3.5. Highlighting the serifs of a serif font (Georgia)



Fonts

```
Most Favourite
body {
font-family: "Trebuchet MS", Helvetica, Arial, sans-serif;
font-size: x-large;
}
```

Fallback fonts: serif, sans-serif, monospace, cursive and fantasy.

Font Factors

font-size:

xx-small

x-small

small

medium

large

x-large

xx-large

font-weight: bold or normal

font-style: normal or italic

text-decoration: none, underline, overline, or line-through

Reaching into Markup

And when we're not diving, we often meet up in a local pub to talk about our recent adventures (any excuse, eh?).

```
em {
font-style: normal;
text-transform: uppercase;
}

And when we're not diving,
we often meet up in a local
pub
to talk about our recent
adventures (ANY excuse,
eh?).
```

```
a {
font-weight: bold;
a:link {
 color: black;
a:visited {
color: gray;
a:hover {
text-decoration: none;
color: white:
background-color: navy;
a:active {
color: aqua;
background-color: navy;
```

Styling Links

- •link before a visit
- visited after it has been visited
- hover when your mouse is over it but you have not clicked
- active you have clicked it and you have not yet see the new page

Browser default styling for links is downright ugly!

Styling a block with "id"

Everything within block

```
#tagline {
```

font-style: italic; font-family: Times, serif; Paragraphs within block

or

```
#tagline p {
  font-style: italic;
  font-family: Times, serif;
}
```

```
<div id="tagline">
  Diving club for the south-west UK - let's make a splash!
</div>
```

id= identifies a *particular* block - only one in a document

Multiple tags with same styling

```
h1, h2, h3 {
  color: yellow;
  background-color: black;
}
```

Making a noticeable background color is a fun way to debug / identify blocks.

```
Last rule wins
                                                         (when
Ignored
             h2 {
              color: blue;
                                                       Identical)
              font-size: medium;
              font-weight: normal;
             em {
              text-transform: uppercase;
             h1, h2, h3 {
Used
              font-family: "Helvetica, Arial, sans-serif;
              background-color: navy;
              color: white;
                                This feature is a bit "quirky" in some browsers.
```

Styling with class=

```
.fun {
  color: #339999;
  font-family: Georgia, Times, serif;
  letter-spacing: 0.05em;
}
```

Class can be used many times in a document.

Scoping Classes / Inheritance

Span (Invisible tag)

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Something you want to style something smaller than a whole block - then use span. Do not use span if you are applying something to a whole block - just put your styling on the enclosing block tag.

Don't Overuse Span/Div

- Don't add unnecessary div tags when you already have a block tag to add a class to
- Don't invent your own spans when something exists that will work

```
<div class="important">

  This is
  <span class="heavy">a</span>
  paragraph.

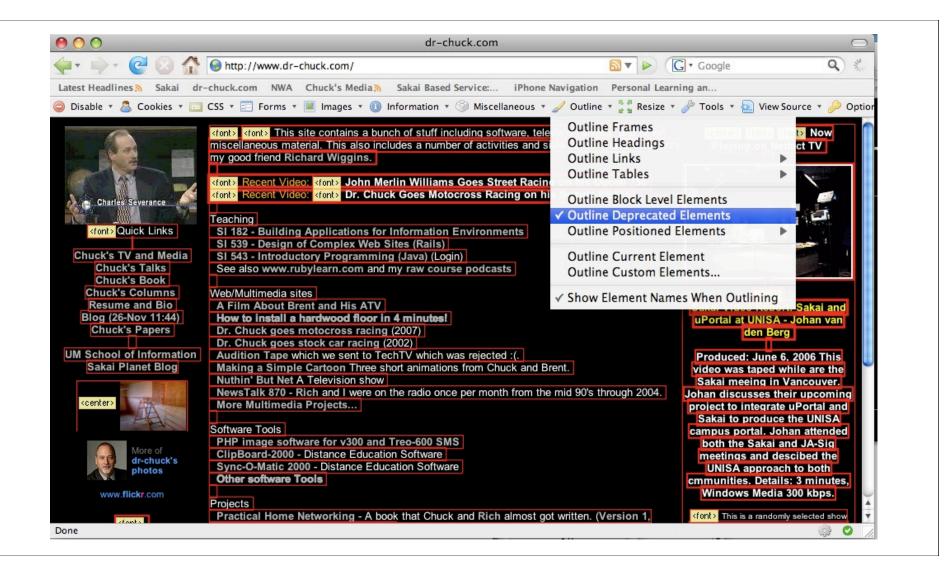
</div>
```

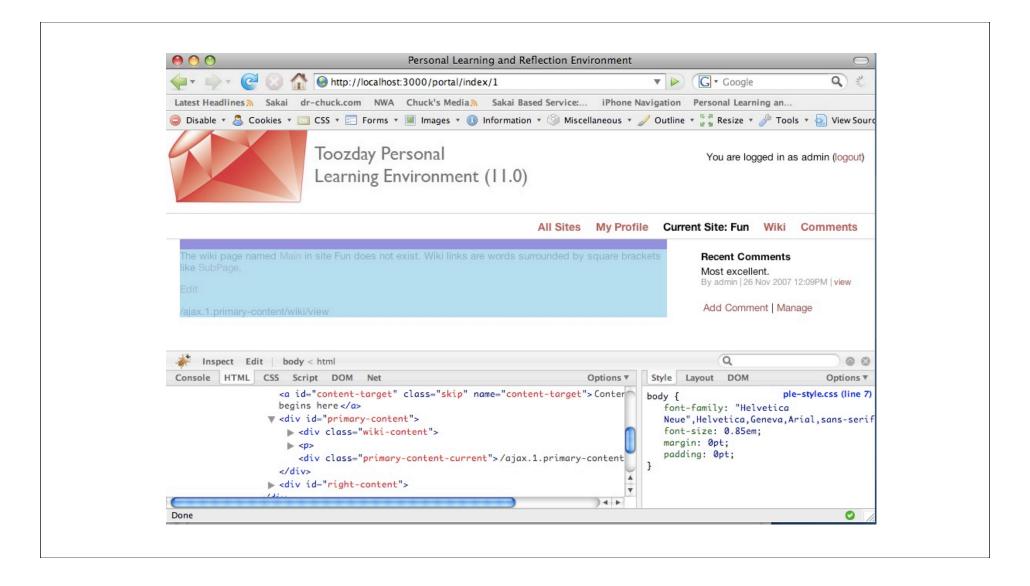
```
  This is <strong>a</strong>
  paragraph.
```

Quick Advertisement - Firefox

- You pretty much need to use Firefox for serious website development
- Important plugins:
 - Web Developer Chris Pedrick
 - FireBug Joe Hewitt

http://addons.mozilla.org/





Later - we visit...

• Advanced - Positioning and layout - a whole new skill

Summary

- Thankfully we can assume that browsers in the marketplace have decent support for CSS
- So we can switch to the best practice
 - HTML contains content and semantic markup
 - CSS styles the tags and semantics
- This is a really quick overview use the web or a book to get more detail